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Embassy Buenos Aires would like to express its appreciation for the excellent support that we receive from INR's Andrew Stein. Exceptionally proactive in his outreach, Andrew provides a consistent and timely flow of relevant research, and adds his own cogent interpretations of regional and Argentine polling data. Despite his physical distance from Buenos Aires, Andrew has made himself an invaluable, if virtual, member of the Country Team. In our efforts to reshape Argentine views of the United States, Andrew's guidance has been extremely helpful in informing Post's own analysis, programming, and decision-making. The breadth and depth of Andrew's expertise in Latin American politics in general, and in Argentina in particular, as well as his quantitative skills and extensive, Hemisphere-wide contacts among the academic community, pollsters, and wonkdom has helped Post put current public opinion trends in a proper historical and regional context. We very much appreciate his efforts and look forward to continuing to receive his insights.

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